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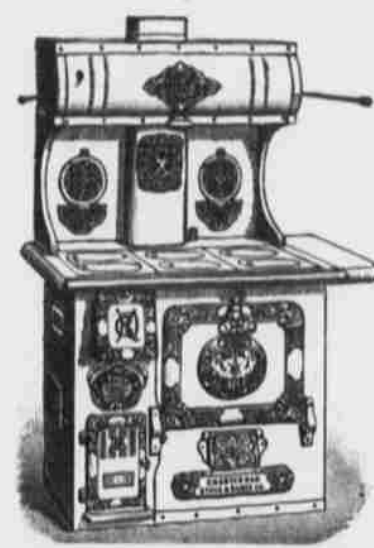


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HER CONDITION IS EXCELLENT

Mrs. McKinley Passed Good Day
and Is Fast Improving.

PRESIDENT MOST CHEERFUL

Arrangements Being Made to Go Direct to
Washington, but No Date Is Set—
Will Attend Public Gather-
ings.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 20.—9 p. m.—
Secretary Cortelyou gives out the fol-
lowing statement:

"Doctors Hirschfelder and Gibbons
met Dr. Rixey at 8:30 p. m. They find
that Mrs. McKinley's improvement has
continued throughout the day and that
her condition tonight is excellent. Doc-
tors Hirschfelder, Gibbons and Cushing
are to meet Dr. Rixey at 11:30 a. m.
tomorrow.

PRESIDENT MOST CHEERFUL

SAN FRANCISCO, May 20.—Mrs. Mc-
Kinley passed a very good afternoon
and the president is very cheerful over
her improved condition.

The above announcement was made at
the Scott residence tonight. While Mrs.
McKinley did not leave her bed today
she passed a considerable time propped
up and rested well. While no definite
date has been set for the president's
departure the arrangements are to go
direct to Washington and not to Can-
ton, as has been unofficially stated. Dur-
ing the remainder of his stay in this
city the president will participate in
as many public gatherings as the condi-
tion of Mrs. McKinley will warrant,
but only in an impromptu and informal
way.

WILL REMAIN TEN DAYS.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 20.—Although
Mrs. McKinley's condition has greatly
improved her physicians have named a
week or ten days as the shortest possi-
ble time in which she can gather
strength to make the trip across the
continent. The immediate members of
the presidential party will therefore
remain here for that length of time
though it is probable that the others
will leave for the east during the present
week. The president will go direct
from San Francisco to Canton. At Mrs.
McKinley's old home, surrounded by
familiar faces and with every comfort
it is expected that her recuperation
will be more rapid than if she went to
Washington. President McKinley spends
much of each summer at Canton and
the arrival there will be not far from
the date of his regular annual visit. He
will probably proceed immediately to
Washington after leaving Mrs. McKin-
ley, returning to Canton as soon as the
more pressing public business has been
disposed of. Miss Mary Barber, Mrs.
McKinley's niece will go with Mrs. Mc-
Kinley to Canton.

President and Mrs. McKinley will oc-
cupy a different car from that which
brought them to this coast. The new
car, however, is of the same pattern
and fully as luxurious. The train will
be about as large as the one that came
west, having accommodations for the
president and cabinet and their ladies,
Secretaries and Mrs. Cortelyou, Dr. and
Mrs. Rixey, Mr. and Mrs. Moore, As-
sistant Secretary Barnes and the White
House staff and 11 members of the
press and photographers.

The Ogea route will be taken. Gov-
ernor Gage has been informed by the
president that no stops of any length
would be made at Sacramento or else-
where in route. The president will not
leave the train, though he may speak
briefly from the rear platform at one or
two important cities.

The president expressed the hope yes-
terday that nothing would prevent him
from viewing the school children of San
Francisco today. Secretary and Mrs.
Hay expect to leave immediately for
Washington where important matters of
state await the attention of the secre-
tary.

Postmaster-General Smith and Secre-
tary Hitchcock and Secretary Wilson
will remain with the president, even
though the day of departure is delayed.

Secretary Long who left yesterday for
Colorado Springs will proceed to Wash-
ington as soon as possible.

At an early hour this morning no

change had been reported in the condi-
tion of Mrs. McKinley.

NOTED LAWYER DEAD.

Was Well-Known Newspaper Publisher
of New York.

NEW YORK, May 20.—Major Robert
Phillips Noah, who has been a
practicing lawyer in this city for many
years, died at his home in this city
last night, aged 68 years.

Major Noah was a son of Major M.
M. Noah, a sheriff of New York county
75 years ago. The son early entered
politics and at the outbreak of the civil
war was United States storekeeper at
Rio Janeiro, Brazil. The United States
consul in that city being a Southern
sympathizer, hauled down the American
flag whereupon Maj. Noah took posses-
sion of the consulate and turned the con-
sul out. He was complimented for this
by the federal government.

Major Noah served in the Crimean
war, for he went to England at the out-
break of hostilities and securing a com-
mission fought throughout the cam-
paign. Previous to that, while yet a
boy, he served in the Mexican cam-
paign.

Major Noah's father founded the
Times and Messenger more than two
generations ago and gave the elder Ben-
nett his first job in a printing office,
that of printer's "devil." It is said that
he and nine other men contributed \$100
each with which to start the New York
Herald.

Major Noah continued the Times and
Messenger until about 20 years ago
when he ceased to publish it. The office
of the Times and Messenger was the
birthplace of many other newspapers,
among others the present New York
World.

ARREST CAUSED SENSATION.

Prominent Idaho Business Man Accused
Of Murder of His Partner.

LEWISTON, Ida., May 20.—A sensa-
tion was caused this evening by the
arrest of John N. King, charged with the
murder of Charles E. Thatcher. The
latter, who was a partner of King, was
murdered in the firm's store at Lapwai,
twelve miles from Lewiston, the night
of July 15, 1898. King's statement at
the coroner's inquest was to the effect
that two masked men entered the store
and shot Thatcher.

Two bullets of different calibre were
found in the body. Thatcher was a
prominent citizen and the tragedy at-
tracted much attention, a reward of
\$2000 being offered.

The state will attempt to prove that
King and Thatcher quarreled and King
shot Thatcher. King is manager of a
large flour milling plant here and con-
ducts a store at Lapwai.

STOCK TO BE WITHDRAWN.

NEW YORK, May 20.—The World

quoting in Chicago, Burlington &
Quincy Railroad stock will disappear
from the tape today, this being the last
day upon which the stock can be de-
posited under the plan for a joint con-
trol of the Burlington by the Northern
Pacific and the Great Northern. In the
past Burlington stock has been one
of the most active in the market.

Ninety per cent of the holdings has
been entered in the deal and with the
close of business today 95 per cent will
have been deposited. J. P. Morgan &
Company have announced the plan of
joint control has been assured by the
amount of stock turned into the two
trust companies designated as depositories.

CARNEGIE'S BIG DONATION.

LONDON, May 20.—Andrew Carnegie
has given £2,000,000 to establish free
education in four universities, Edinburgh,
Glasgow, Aberdeen and St. Andrews.
He stipulates that the beneficiaries be
his "Scottish fellow countrymen" only,
no English, Irish, colonial or foreign-
ers. The fund will apply to medi-
cal as well as to commercial educa-
tion.

AGAINST LIQUOR BUSINESS.

COLUMBUS, O., May 20.—The sov-
ern camp, Woodmen of the World to-
day, decided that in future if members
engage in the liquor business they shall
be expelled, and the camps refusing to
take this action shall have their charters
revoked.

TO AUSTRALIA IN A CANOE.

VICTORIA, B. C., May 20.—J. C. Voss
and Norman Luxton will leave here in
an Indian war canoe tomorrow for Aus-
tralia.

FIFTY THOUSAND MACHINISTS OUT

Rough Estimate of the Number
Who Struck Yesterday.

ALLIED TRADES NOT IN IT

Except in Few Cases—President O'Connell, of
the National Association of Machin-
ists, Issues Statement of
Demands.

WASHINGTON, May 20.—Approx-
imately 50,000 machinists throughout the
country struck today for a nine-hour
day scale of wages equal to the pre-
sent ten-hour per day scale and other
demands. This is a rough estimate of
President O'Connell, of the National As-
sociation of Machinists, based on tele-
graphic advices that have reached him
today from machinists' headquarters in
various cities.

The strike thus far has not extended
to the allied trades, save in one or two
instances, as at Scranton, Pa. No ma-
chinists engaged in government work
are affected. This is due to the fact
that on such work an eight-hour-day
schedule prevails. Railroad machinists,
as a rule, are not involved in the
strike.

The situation this afternoon was sum-
marized by President O'Connell in the
following statement to the Associated
Press:

"We are demanding a nine-hour day
universally throughout the trade, with
increase of wages sufficient to overcome
the loss of time, the regulation of the
apprenticeship system and the number
that shall be employed in accordance
with the number of journeymen ma-
chinists employed, agreements as to arbi-
tration of disputes that may arise in future,
the right of machinists to be represented
by a committee and agreements that
there shall be absolutely no discrimi-
nation against machinists because of
their membership in the union. The
number of firms signing indicates that
in localities where agreements are be-
ing made the strike cannot last over a
few days. In other localities where a
larger number of men are being in-
volved, I look forward to an adjustment
being reached within the present week."

AT SAN FRANCISCO.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 20.—Sixty-
five hundred union machinists and other
iron trade workmen affiliated with them
quit work in this city today. It is ex-
pected that about one thousand more
men will join the strike as soon as they
are ordered to do so by their respective
national directors. Among the latter
are the iron moulders and core makers.

The other crafts affected include al-
most every branch of the iron shipbuilding
and the boiler-making trades.

EMPLOYERS STUBBORN.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 20.—The lo-
cal branch of the International Associa-
tion of Machinists has instructed its
members to report for work at the
foundries and machine shops in which
they are employed this morning as usual
but to go to work only in case all the
terms asked by the union were granted.
In case the employers refuse to grant
all the terms, including unconditional
recognition of the union, the men are
to leave the shops. The local branch
of the union has about 1800 members.
If they go out on a strike they will
be joined by the pattern makers
and other trades connected with
shipbuilding and machine works num-
bering in all about 5000 men.

The employers say their shops will
be open for the men to go to work at
the ordinary rates, that any terms
concerning the wages or working hours
the men ask will be only considered but
they will not arbitrate on the question
of union recognition.

THE CHICAGO MACHINISTS.

CHICAGO, May 20.—According to W.
F. Melian, president of the District
Lodge No. 8 of Machinists, says there
will be no strike today.

Business agents, shop committees and
other officials will ascertain the exact
status of the employers during the day
and report at a meeting of the ex-
ecutive committee of the lodge tonight.
Strikes will be ordered in shops which
refuse any satisfaction regarding either
hours or wages.

WILL NOT PARTICIPATE.

Reasons Why Peru Will Not Be Rep-
resented at Pan-American
Congress.

NEW YORK, May 20.—Peru has of-
ficially notified the United States, says
a Herald dispatch from Washington,
that she will decline to participate in
the Pan-American congress to be held
in the City of Mexico if arbitration, one
of the subjects to be discussed, be sim-
ulated to "future questions."
Argentina and Bolivia which are in

sympathy with the Peruvian policy with
respect to the Province of Tacna and
Arica, in dispute with Chile, were ap-
proached by Peru. It is understood, be-
fore she communicated her decision to
this government. The withdrawal of
these two countries, as well as that of
Peru, is a strong probability and the
failure of the congress is growing more
likely.

The decision arrived at by the Peru-
vian government was communicated to
the state department by Mr. Dudley,
the American minister to Lima.

Further conferences will be held this
week between acting Secretary Hill and
the Pan-American diplomats. Chile de-
clines to agree to any proposition which
will permit arbitration of any but "fu-
ture questions," and inasmuch as the
attitude of Peru, Bolivia and Argentina
is unalterably in favor of the arbitra-
tion of present as well as of future
questions, it is evident that a deadlock
has been reached.

CONFESED THE MURDER.

Woman Who Killed Ayres Was Defend-
ing Her Honor.

WASHINGTON, May 20.—The mys-
tery attending the killing of James S.
Ayres, census office clerk in Kenmore
hotel, Wednesday morning, was solved
today by a voluntary confession from
Mrs. Lulu I. Bonine, a married woman
and guest at the house, that the three
shots which ended Ayres' life had been
fired in a struggle between herself and
Ayres.

Mrs. Bonine said that when she went
into Ayres' room he quickly closed the
door and informed her that he had en-
ticed her to the room for his own pur-
poses and said if she did not submit
to his wishes he would kill her. A strug-
gle ensued in which Ayres was shot.

INDIANS ARE DEFIANT.

Bloodshed Feared on Shoshone Indian
Reservation.

SALT LAKE, May 20.—A special to

the Tribune from Lander, says:
Conditions on the Shoshone Indian
reservation are beginning to assume
alarming aspects. Six hundred Ara-
paho braves are said to be defying the
authority of Agent Nickerson, who has
asked for authority from Washington
to use troops to suppress the rebellious
Indians. A clash is likely to occur at
any moment.

The trouble is said to be the result
of discontent among the Indians at a
change in the method of issuing rations.

PROPOSITION FROM PORTLAND.

Three Great Roads Are Asked to Con-
struct Tillamook Road Jointly.

PORTLAND, May 20.—The Portland
Nehalem & Tillamook Railroad Com-
pany has made a formal proposal to the
Northern Pacific and Union Pacific and
Southern Pacific interests for the build-
ing of a joint line, of which Portland
shall be the terminus, to the Nehalem
and Tillamook regions. If these in-
terests should refuse to join in a sin-
gle line, Portland will make every ef-
fort to build an independent line.

BIG JOB FOR PETTIGREW.

Report That ex-Senator Will Be Made
Head of Great Northern.

CHICAGO, May 20.—A special to the

Record-Herald from St. Paul says:
Railroad men who have knowledge
of the plans of J. J. Hill are positive
in the assertion that ex-Senator Pet-
tigrew will be made the executive head
of the Great Northern system.

SHAMROCK II WINS.

Over Course of Seven Miles New Boat
Won by Forty-five Seconds.

RYDE, Isle of Wight, May 20.—The
two Shamrocks raced today over an
open sea course and Shamrock II won.
The wind was steady from the east and
was blowing a clubbable breeze. Over
a triangular course of seven miles
Shamrock III won by 45 seconds.

ARRESTED IN SEATTLE.

SEATTLE, May 20.—The police have
in custody a man giving the name of
Ben Drummond, who, it is thought, is
W. Abbot Leads, a Spokane lawyer who
is wanted in that city for alleged em-
bezzlement of \$1800 from a client.

OREGON TEAM WON.

EUGENE, May 20.—The field meet
between the Oregon and Washington
universities, which was stopped by rain
Saturday, was finished this afternoon
and the final score stands, Oregon 65½;
Washington, 55½.

FAMOUS HUMORIST DEAD.

NEW YORK, May 20.—Alexander
Edwin Sweet, founder of "Texas Sift-
ings" and a humorist of national repu-
tation under the pen names of "Colonel
Bill Snort" and "Rev. Whangdoodle,"
died today.

PRICE OF SILVER.

NEW YORK, May 20.—Silver, 59¢.

NEW LINE FROM ASIA TO ATLANTIC

Manzanillo, Mexico, to Be Made
Greatest Pacific Coast Port.

MEXICAN CENTRAL SECURED

It Is Asserted That This Route Will Be Fully
One Thousand Two Hundred Miles
Shorter Than the One From
San Francisco.

NEW YORK, May 20.—The Tribune

says:
The plans of a syndicate headed by
H. Clay Pierce, of St. Louis, it is be-
lieved, aims at securing the bulk of
transportation of that vast import and
export trade between America and Asia,
which is as yet only in its infancy. The
corner-stone of Mr. Pierce's scheme, as
announced, is believed to be the estab-
lishment of a new Pacific coast port
for deep sea vessels at Manzanillo, on
the southwest coast of Mexico; and one
of the chief links in the chain was
forged the other day when Mr. Pierce's
syndicate secured control of the Mex-
ican Central Railroad. Mr. Pierce's
party already had control of the St.
Louis & San Francisco, of the Fort
Scott system and of the Fort Worth
road.

The western terminus of the Mexi-
can Central is Colima, which is only 85
miles from Manzanillo, and which is
described as a natural land-locked har-
bor, suitable for sea-going vessels of
the heaviest draft. Large sums of mon-
ey will be expended, it is said, to make
this one of the finest ports on the Pacif-
ic coast, and the extension of the Mex-
ican Central lines from Colima to Man-
zanillo will be at once undertaken, and
be pushed rapidly to completion. After
that two connecting links remain to be
created between the St. Louis & San
Francisco system and the Mexican Cen-
tral in order to complete the chain be-
tween Manzanillo and St. Louis. The
Mexican International Railroad will be
one of these. It connects with the
Mexican Central at Torreon.

A new line must be built to connect
the Mexican International with the St.
Louis & San Francisco. This new line
will extend from Sherman, Tex., to
Eagle Pass, on the Rio Grande. When
it is built through freight can be car-
ried from Manzanillo without trans-
shipment to St. Louis and also to Bir-
mingham, Ala., from which point direct
connection may be made with Savan-
nah, Ga. over the Southern railroad.
It is asserted that this route from
Manzanillo to St. Louis and thence to
New York, will be fully 1200 miles shorter
than from San Francisco to this city.

It is said that the Seligmans, of this
city, are financing the deal. Isaac N.
Seligman said:
"I cannot talk to you now about this,
I may have something to say to you
later."

But even that was more than his
partners would vouchsafe. J. Stewart
Mackie, vice-president of the Mexican
International railway, said it was too
early yet to discuss the part which his
road might or might not play in the
enterprise.

PAN-AMERICAN EXPOSITION.

Almost Every Country Represented in
the Dedication Parade.

BUFFALO, N. Y., May 20.—In the
presence of a vast concourse of people
with ceremonial but conventional and
novel, the Pan-American exposition was
dedicated formally today. The day be-
gan with a parade in which there were
men from nearly every country in the
world and ended with an aerial bom-
bardment from flying bombs and a bril-
liant electric illumination. Between the
two were the formal exercises of ded-
ication with oratory, instrumental mu-
sic, song and poetry. The record of
attendance for today was fully up to
expectations.

The total admissions today were 161,-
687 people.

Vice-President Roosevelt was the
guest of honor.

PRESBYTERIAN ASSEMBLY.

PHILADELPHIA, May 20.—Routine
matters occupied the attention of the
commissioners of the Presbyterian gen-
eral assembly during the greater por-
tion of today's session. It is expected
that the desk will be clear for discussion
of the revision committee's report,
which is the special order for Thurs-
day.

HOMESEEKERS' EXCURSION.

TACOMA, May 20.—The Great North-
ern, Northern Pacific and Canadian Pa-
cific today announced that until October
homesekers' excursions will be run
from the East to all parts of the
Northwest on the first and third Tues-
day of each month.